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SENATE MEMORIAL 64

**48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2008**

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A MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE STATE ENGINEER TO INVESTIGATE IMPAIRMENT OF  
HISTORICAL WATER RIGHTS OF THE SPRING DITCH IN TAOS AND TAKE  
ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION TO GUARANTEE DELIVERY OF WATER TO DITCH  
PARCIANTES.

WHEREAS, the town of Taos has approved developments that  
have resulted in construction on the town's water source and  
the point of diversion, thereby impairing delivery of water to  
rightful water rights owners and parciantes on the Spring  
ditch; and

WHEREAS, the course of an ancient acequia has been altered  
by the town of Taos; and

WHEREAS, permits have been issued allowing construction on  
lateral ditches;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE

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1 OF NEW MEXICO that the state engineer be requested to  
2 investigate impairment of historical water rights of the Spring  
3 ditch by the town of Taos and take any appropriate action to  
4 guarantee delivery of water to ditch parciantes; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the state engineer report to  
6 the appropriate committee of the legislature by August 1, 2008  
7 the results of the investigation and actions taken to remedy  
8 the impairment; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be  
10 transmitted to the state engineer.

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